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In re Application of
Andrea F. Bell
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed March 23, 2001, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed May 4, 2000, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on August 5, 2000.

The above-identified application is being revived solely for purposes of continuity with a continued prosecution application (CPA) filed on March 23, 2001.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Irvin Dingle at (703) 306-5684.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 3700.


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